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Interview Summary

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Date of Interview: 21 August 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Toivola (US 6,126,052).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The rejection of the first claim on the grounds of anticipation by Toivola was discussed. No agreement was reached on the meaning of the term "centrally located" in the last line of the claim, as the Attorney postulated that it meant "equidistant from the ends" and the Examiners interpreted it as "at or near the center", especially with respect to the ends of the cross member of Toivola. New claim language was proposed but Examiners reserved judgement on the new language until a copy of the claims are formally submitted.



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